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Dear Mr. Ciavattieri:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the letter from Al Randall dated 20 March 1987 regarding the alternate locations for the Confined Disposal Facility (CDF) of the Pilot Project. The Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management (MCZM) Program Policy 1 protects coastal wetlands (e.g. salt marshes) from filling which effectively excludes Site D on the Fairhaven side. Of the 4 remaining sites, E & F are more cost efficient for the amount of storage space they provide. Clearly there are issues to be resolved with any of the 4 remaining options, e.g. stage construction of the dike (sites A & B), private property ownership (sites E & F) and height of the facility (site E & F). Nonetheless, pursuing either site E or F is recommended, given our current understanding of the limitations and constraints of the options.

I hope these comments are useful to you as you progress with your considerations.

Sincerely yours,

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